

MANY ARE LIVING ON \$18 A WEEK

Capable Wife, Fixed Expenditures and Definite Plan Necessary.

SEVERAL COUPLES TELL EXPERIENCES

Tickets to "Paid in Full" Each Day
This Week for Best Answers.

A wife who can "manage," a fixed table of expenditures and a definite plan for saving seem to be the three important factors for living on \$18 a week.

And of these the wife is the biggest problem, according to the dozens of answers received this morning to the question put by The Times yesterday.

The most convincing of the answers were received from persons who are married and are actually living on \$18 a week or less. With many of the answers were tabular accounts of expenditures for the month, showing that careful accounting was a necessary adjunct to successful working out of the project.

The contest will be continued all this week and a pair of seats will be awarded to every performance of "Paid in Full" at the Columbia, save on Saturday, to each of the writers of the best twelve answers received each day.

No answers will be considered that run more than 200 words and those of 100 words or less will be given the preference. Write on one side of the paper only. Many excellent replies were thrown out of today's contest because they were over the word limit.

Some of the replies follow:

May Save by Boarding.

Editor Washington Times:
Dear Sir: I give my answer to this only because it is of great importance to many. To answer this fairly we must apply it to a couple from time of marriage. If they have no money laid away to fall back on they cannot start house keeping and pay their way as they go on an \$18 per week salary.

But they can live in good comfortable rooms with board in good locations for an average of \$12 per week, leaving them a balance of \$6 per week for clothing and incidental expenses, of which they can save at least \$2 to place in a bank or building association with which eventually a house may be purchased.

Very respectfully, yours,
H. S. KLINE,
1335 F street, northwest.

Nothing Taken on Credit.

Editor The Times:
By wise buying, economy, and forethought, a couple can live decently on \$18 a week. Here is how we do it.

Money, for each item, is carefully laid aside for each month—installment on home, \$20; food, \$20; milk, \$2; gas, light and cooking, \$3; life and fire insurance, \$2; total, each month, \$57; per year, \$684; ice, \$10.50; water, rent, \$4.50; coal and kindling wood, \$20; per year, \$45. Total, \$729. Eighteen dollars a week equals \$396 a year, minus \$729, leaves \$237 a year for clothes and miscellaneous.

We raise our own vegetables, but, if not, lower house rent would more than offset the difference. We use plenty of substantial food, but let nothing go to waste. We take nothing on credit, regardless of tempting offers. I do my own housework and my motto is: "Never spend more than you have."

Respectfully yours,
MARGARET PETERSON,
1361 E street southeast.

Can't Buy \$18 Hats.

Editor The Times:
Can a married couple live on an \$18.00 a week salary? Not if she persists in putting her hat under hats \$18.00 each. Not if he is a member of a club that meets on pay nights. Then, again, if above their means she will hold her head and he doesn't know how to bring it down to an \$18.00 a week pose, they are hopelessly entangled; that is, if the "loan sharks" are doing business. But if he loves her and she loves him and they are content to live within their means they can, providing Christmas comes only once a year, live on \$18.00 a week salary.

ALLEN PRENDER,
741 Tenth street southeast.

Can Have Many Comforts.

To the Editor of The Washington Times:
Yes, a couple can live and enjoy themselves and many comforts upon a salary of \$18 a week, if, first of all, they are satisfied with each other, and will-

SEATS AWARDED TO FIRST DOZEN

Mrs. B. May, Fourteenth and U streets nw.
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Mrs. Robert E. Belt, 1708 Willard street nw.
C. P. Spencer, 532 Seventeenth street nw.
Margaret Peterson, 1361 E street se.
H. L. Kline, 1335 F street nw.

ing to plan carefully from week to week, so much, and no more, being set aside for each requirement, and this strictly followed month in and month out.

They will be obliged to consult as to the things they can have and those that are not to be considered. Eighteen dollars, however, cannot be expended each week, for not less than \$2 of that must be put aside to accumulate to meet emergencies—illness, a sudden journey, or other such demand.

If this practice be followed a couple in fair health and of industrious habits can be happy upon even a limited income, for contentment is from within and not from things that are bought with money.

R. KETTER,
624 C street northeast.

Sacrifices Necessary.

Editor of The Times:
Your question in tonight's Times, "Can a married couple live on an \$18 a week salary?" will no doubt arouse considerable interest and discussion at this time of high prices of food stuffs.

I argue that they can, but they must be governed by three inflexible rules: First—They must not pay more than one-fourth of their monthly salary for rent.

Second—They must pay strictly cash for all their purchases, for in this way only can they secure the greatest value for their money, and avoid the purchase of many unnecessary articles into which habit the charge account leads.

Third—They must have a thorough and well-defined understanding that of first importance are the necessities of life, and that the pleasures must always be in proportion to the salary envelope. Each one must be willing to make sacrifices for the other, or for their mutual benefit, for the sacrifice of a pleasure brings a pleasure all its own.

"He looks the whole world in the face, for he owes not any man."

Respectfully,
E. F. RANK,
703 C street southwest.

Lives on \$50 a Month.

Editor The Times: I have been married three years and have managed to live and save on a salary of \$50 per month.

My rent is of first importance, for it is my greatest expenditure. This costs me \$14 per month, which is well spent for I have a lovely sanitary home of four rooms and bath.

I have followed the old saying, "One-third of your salary for rent, one-third for food, and one-third for clothes."

We use gas and economize in fuel, labor, time, and utensils, which costs us 50 cents per month. Summing up the rent, food, and gas we have \$39.50, leaving a balance of \$10.50 a month to purchase clothing, deposit in bank, etc., on a salary of \$18 per week.

Very respectfully,
J. A. PITTS,
213A Bates street northwest.

ALLEGED BOOTLEGGER.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Dec. 27.—Melvin Taylor, a prominent detective and a former deputy United States marshal, has been arrested here, charged with bootlegging. Taylor is alleged to have sold a pint of whiskey to a thirty Christmas celebrant, who was unable to get an eye-opener at any of the saloons. He was held under bond to await a hearing by United States Commissioner Dorr Casto.

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THEY PICK WINNERS



MITTEN WAGENHALS. COLLIN KEMPER.

MESSRS. WAGENHALS & KEMPER saw the possibilities of "Paid in Full" after every manager of note had refused it, and after it had been peddled around among stock and repertoire companies. The success of the Walter play is famous in theatrical history. Eugene Walter is rich from his royalties, and Wagenhals & Kemper are better off by something like a quarter of a million.

The same firm saw a novelette in Lippincott's Magazine, under the title of "Seven Days," and sought out the authors, Mary Roberts Rinehart and Avery Hopwood, and commissioned Mr. Hopwood to get the rights for a dramatization of the story. They waited until they had the opportunity to produce it in their own theater, the Astor Theater, New York. Collin Kemper assumed entire charge of staging the play, as he also did with "Paid in Full."

The morning after its production New York critics were a unit on the success of "Seven Days" as they were also on "Paid in Full."

FOUR CONFIRMED AS EPISCOPALIANS

There are four new members of the Episcopal church today as the result of the confirmation exercises conducted yesterday at St. Alban's by the Bishop of Washington. The Bishop conducted the evening service at the church on the cathedral site. He preached an eloquent sermon on the life of St. Stephen. The rector presented four persons for confirmation, two men and two women. The service was attended by a large congregation despite the weather conditions.

TURNVEREIN ELECTION.

The annual election of officers of the Columbia Turnverein will be held tonight. The polls will be open from 7 to 9 o'clock. The Columbia Turnverein, the Washington Saengerbund, and the Arion Gesangsverein kept open house yesterday.

KILLED MAN WITH STONE.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Dec. 27.—W. Thomas Meyers, a farmer, aged fifty years, was killed near here by Edward Pickens, who struck him in the head with a stone. Pickens escaped.

LOCATE PARADISE FOR LARGE GAME

In Mountains of the Cherokee Nation, in Oklahoma, Deer Are Plentiful.

MSUKOGEE, Okla., Dec. 27.—Big game hunters have found a paradise in the Cherokee Nation this year. It is the mountains of the Cherokee Nation east of the Illinois river, with headquarters at Cookson, an inland trading point twenty miles from a railroad. From Cookson the hunters range back into the hills fifteen or twenty miles.

Hunters from Muskogee, Wagoner, Fort Smith and other points who have camped in that section and hunted for several days at a time have had phenomenal success. A party returning to Muskogee killed five fine bucks, the largest weighing 175 pounds. They also killed all the turkey allowed under the law. A party from Wagoner had equal success. Each member of the party took the limit on both deer and turkey. Small game—quail, squirrel, possum, coon and foxes—also were hunted.

Under the Oklahoma game law one person is allowed to kill only one deer and three turkeys in one season. Shooting does and turkeys is prohibited, as is chasing deer with dogs. This reduces deer hunting to bucks and to stalking and still hunting them.

One of the most successful methods is to hunt them at night. When the feeding grounds are found the hunter waits until nightfall and then places a torch in his hat band, like a miner. A deer will approach this light in fearless curiosity, unable to see the form of the hunter in the shadow behind the light, and apparently being totally unconscious of the man scent which carries fear in the daytime and makes stalking difficult. The deer approaches until the hunter sees his eyes gleaming in the darkness. This affords a fine shot. The great difficulty attending this is the hunter's inability, also, to see the form of the deer and not infrequently a cow wanders in the woods will approach the light and be shot down by mistake for a deer.

WORK FOR 1,000 SOON.

HOLLIDAY'S COVE, W. Va., Dec. 27.—Over 1,000 sheet and tinplate workers will be put to work about January 15, when the new plant of the Phillips Sheet and Tinplate Company will be put in operation at Wierton, near here. The company is working its construction forces day and night to get the plant completed. The company will continue to operate its plant at Clarksburg.

IN CHOIR 25 YEARS.

CUMBERLAND, Md., Dec. 27.—Henry Hast, sixty-three years old, a real estate and insurance man, is dead, after a short illness. Mr. Hast was formerly engaged in the grocery business and for the past twenty-five years sang bass in the choir of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, and being an unusually large man he was well known throughout the entire county.

ASHEVILLE VERY DRY.

ASHEVILLE, N. C., Dec. 27.—As the result of the breaking of a pipe line the entire water supply of the city has been cut off. A falling tree blown down by the heavy gale fell across the sixteen-inch water main, which carried the water from North Fork ten miles from this city. The break occurred at a point seven miles from here where the pipe crosses a ravine.

POISON TURNED TO ITCHING ECZEMA

On Hands and Face—Torment Prevented Sleep—Sufferer Had to Give Up His Work—Specialists and "Cures" Utterly Failed.

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"I used Cuticura Soap, Ointment and Pills. I can also say the suffering was intense. It itched and burned so that it was impossible to sleep but thanks to the wonderful Cuticura Remedies I am now well. I enclose my photograph which you may publish. Harold Ayers, 783 Jefferson Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y., Dec. 7 and 19, 1908."

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